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MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO, N. C.

REGULAR MEETING:

6 DECEMBER 2005

The City Council of the City of Greensboro met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. on the above date in the Council Chamber of the Melvin Municipal Office Building with the following members present: Mayor Keith A. Holliday, presiding; Councilmembers T. Dianne Bellamy-Small, Claudette Burroughs-White, Sandra G. Carmany, Florence F. Gatten, Yvonne J. Johnson, Robert V. Perkins, Thomas M. Phillips, and Donald R. Vaughan. Absent: None. Also present were Mitchell Johnson, City Manager; Linda A. Miles, City Attorney; and Juanita F. Cooper, City Clerk.

The meeting opened with a moment of silence. Katherine Vaughan, accompanied by her parents, Nancy and Councilmember Vaughan, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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The Manager recognized Yvonne Dewar, employee in the City Clerk's Office of the Legislative Department, who served as courier for the meeting.

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The Mayor explained the Council procedure for conduct of the meeting. He stated that Council had taken action to eliminate speakers from the floor at this meeting and would use this time to allow special recognitions for retiring members of Council.

On behalf of the citizens of Greensboro and all City employees, the City Manager and the Mayor presented Seals of the City of Greensboro and other gifts to retiring Councilmembers Don Vaughan, Robbie Perkins and Claudette Burroughs-White. He noted the fabric used in these framed seals had been created by Cone Mills and their presentation was extremely rare. City Manager Johnson expressed appreciation for these Council members' dedicated service to the City and spoke to the thousands of hours of service rendered by each of the retiring members. Mayor Holliday also presented Keys to the City to the retiring Council members.

Former City Manager Ed Kitchen stated it had been his pleasure and privilege to work with this Council; he commended them for their selection of Mitchell Johnson as City Manager. Mr. Kitchen stated that, as a citizen, he wished to express appreciation to the retiring members for their dedication and service to the citizens of Greensboro.

Andy Scott, Housing and Community Development Department Director, expressed appreciation to the retiring members for being strong supporters of housing. He presented each with a framed memento of the East Market Street revitalization project.

Bonnie Kuester, Parks and Recreation Department Director, commended Councilmember Vaughan for his lifetime of involvement and service to parks and recreation. Robert Douglas, Chairperson of the Parks and Recreation Commission, presented a plaque to Councilmember Vaughan acknowledging his valuable contributions as liaison to the Commission.

Bob Cone, Chairperson of the Greensboro Library Board of Trustees, read into the minutes a resolution adopted by the Board in honor of Councilmember Burroughs-White and her dedication and contributions to the Library.

Marilyn Miller, President of the Friends of the Library, commended Councilmember Burroughs-White for her contributions to the Library; she advised that in appreciation of Councilmember Burroughs-White's dedicated service, the group had voted to present her with its first honorary membership.

Noting the Concerned Citizens of Northeast Greensboro had adopted a resolution commending Councilmember Burroughs-White for her service and representation of District 2 residents, Jim Key read the resolution and presented a copy to Councilmember Burroughs-White.

Later in the meeting the Mayor recognized Beth McKee Huger, residing at 408 Woodlawn and representing the Greensboro Housing Coalition; she expressed appreciation to the retiring members of Council for their support of safe and affordable housing issues.

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The Mayor and members of Council offered personal thoughts about the retiring Council members and expressed appreciation for their service to the citizens of Greensboro.

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The retiring members of Council offered their personal comments about their service to Greensboro and expressed appreciation to family, friends, supporters, Council members, City staff and other associates for their support during their service as members of Council.

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Mayor Holliday recognized other elected officials who were present in the Chamber and noted a reception would be held following the Organizational Meeting.

At the Mayor's request, Councilmember Johnson moved to appoint Claudette Burroughs-White, Al Lineberry, Jr. and Elizabeth Stauffer as Co-chairs of the Bicentennial Commission. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bellamy-Small and adopted unanimously by voice vote of Council.

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Councilmember Johnson moved that the City Council adjourn to meet in the Organizational Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Phillips and adopted unanimously by voice vote of the Council.

THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED TO THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AT 6:32 P.M.

KEITH A. HOLLIDAY
MAYOR

JUANITA F. COOPER
CITY CLERK

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**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
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CITY OF GREENSBORO, NC**

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:

6 DECEMBER 2005

The newly-elected City Council of the City of Greensboro met in Organizational Meeting at 6:46 p.m. on the above date in the Council Chamber of the Melvin Municipal Office Building with all members present.

Reverend Wayne Robinson delivered the invocation.

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Taking the prerogative of the Chair, Mayor Holliday recognized staff members in the City Clerk's Office of the Legislative Department: Juanita F. Cooper, City Clerk; Susan Crotts, Deputy City Clerk; and Sharon Bell, Executive Assistant. The Mayor commended these employees for their dedication and noted the services they provide on a day-to-day basis for the Governing Body and the City of Greensboro.

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The City Clerk administered the Mayor's oath of office to Keith A. Holliday. Mayor Holliday assumed the Chair and instructed the City Clerk to administer the oath of office to the newly-elected Council members.

Thereupon, the City Clerk administered the oath of office to Councilmembers Sandra Anderson, Mike Barber, T. Dianne Bellamy-Small, Sandra G. Carmany, Florence F. Gatten, Yvonne J. Johnson, Thomas M. Phillips and Goldie F. Wells.

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After the Mayor's brief comments about the position of Mayor Pro Tempore, Councilmember Johnson moved that Sandra Anderson be nominated as Mayor Pro Tempore. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bellamy-Small; the motion was adopted unanimously by voice vote of the Council.

The oath of office for Mayor Pro Tempore was administered to Councilmember Anderson.

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Mayor Holliday reminded Council that the official Council photograph would be taken in the Chamber at 4:15 p.m. prior to the December 20 Council meeting.

Mayor Holliday stated that Council would consider adoption of the 2006 City Council meeting and briefing schedules. He noted Council had received the list of dates and Councilmember Gatten's suggestions for alternate dates.

Councilmember Gatten spoke briefly to the proposed changes in the 2006 meeting schedule which she believed would be beneficial to the staff, citizens and Council. After brief discussion, Councilmember Johnson moved adoption of the schedule as proposed by Councilmember Gatten. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Phillips and adopted unanimously by vote of Council by a show of hands.

Councilmember Gatten noted that part of the proposal she offered was to change the time of the briefing sessions from 9:00 am--12 noon to 8:45-11:45 am. After brief discussion, Mayor Holliday suggested that Council consider changing the time to 8:30-11:30 am. Councilmember Gatten thereupon moved that the time of future

briefings be designated as 8:30 am – 11:30 am. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carmany and adopted unanimously by vote of Council by a show of hands. The following is the 2006 meeting schedule adopted by the City Council.

2006 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

January 10	Changed from January 3 by Council Action
January 24	Changed from January 17 by Council Action
February 7	
February 21	
March 7	
March 21	
April 4	
April 18	
May 2	
May 16	
June 6	
June 20	
July 4	Holiday - meeting canceled per Code of Ordinances requirements
July 18	
July 31 (Monday)	Changed from August 1 in order to observe Police National Night Out
August 15	
September 5	
September 19	
October 3	
October 17	
November 7	
November 21	
December 5	
December 19	

Council Meetings are held at **5:30 p.m.** in the Council Chamber in the Melvin Municipal Office Building, 300 West Washington Street, Greensboro, NC, unless otherwise noted.

2006 COUNCIL BRIEFING DATES

January 31	Changed from January 24 per Council Action
February 28	
March 28	
April 25	
May 23	
June 27	
July 25	
August 22	
September 26	
October 24	
November 28	
December	No briefing

Council briefings are held at **8:30 a.m.** in the Plaza Level Conference Room in the Melvin Municipal Office Building, 300 West Washington Street, Greensboro, NC, unless otherwise noted.

The date or time of the Council meetings and briefings may be changed if deemed necessary by the City Council.

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The Mayor reminded everyone of the reception immediately following the Organizational Meeting.

Mayor Holliday expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve as Mayor of the City of Greensboro and expressed gratitude to his family, friends, supports, and his place of employment for their support. He spoke to low voter turnout in the municipal election, noted he looked forward to serving with the new Council members and spoke to their roles as leaders in the community, called attention to Greensboro's new City Manager Mitchell Johnson, and offered his personal thoughts with regard to progress the City had made and several areas that must receive the attention and focus of this Council and City staff.

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Members of Council introduced members of his or her family, friends, supporters, campaign workers and other associates. Individual members expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve the community and pledged to work for all the citizens of Greensboro.

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Noting that some Council liaison positions would need to be addressed, the Mayor requested that Council review the listing and let the City Clerk know if they were interested in any particular liaison position.

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Councilmember Carmany added the name of Joel Landeau to the boards and commissions data bank for consideration for future service.

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Councilmember Bellamy-Small moved that the City Council adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Phillips and adopted unanimously by voice vote of Council.

THE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 7:55 P.M.

KEITH A. HOLLIDAY
MAYOR

JUANITA F. COOPER
CITY CLERK
